

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 1734

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_1228A  
Ya XU et al. : **Confirmation No. 6659**  
Serial No. 10/587,940 : Group Art Unit 1734  
Filed September 29, 2006 : Examiner Sarah Van Oudenaren  
INTERMETALLIC COMPOUND Ni<sub>3</sub>Al : **Mail Stop: AF**  
CATALYST FOR REFORMING  
METHANOL AND METHANOL  
REFORMING METHOD USING SAME

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the Examiner.

- ☒ [X] The extension fee of \$1,110.00 for a three month extension of time is submitted with the attached Petition for Extension of Time.
- ☒ [X] The Appeal Fee of ☒ [X] \$540.00 (other than Small Entity)  
☐ [ ] \$270.00 (Small Entity)
- ☐ [ ] is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975.
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Respectfully submitted,

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